

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT KNOXVILLE

PAMELA C. PHIBBS,

Plaintiff,

VS

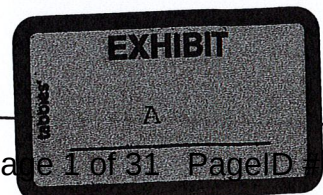
REVENUE RECOVERY CORPORATION
and BUFFALOE & VALLEJO, PLC.

Defendants.

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1 Q And I'm sorry, did you say "Springvale," v-a-l-e?

2 A Uh-huh, yes.

3 Q Okay. How long have you resided at that address?

4 A Since January 20th, approximately, 2011.

5 Q Okay. Does anyone reside with you at that address?

6 A My daughter did at one time, and now she is getting
7 ready to get married and she has moved out.

8 Q Congratulations -

9 A Thank you.

10 Q - on multiple fronts. And I'll ask you a little bit about
11 your family here in a minute. Where did you reside prior to 7200 Springvale
12 Lane?

13 A 2644 Knob Creek Lane; Knoxville, Tennessee,
14 37912.

15 Q Okay. And how long did you reside there, what time
16 period?

17 A I purchased that October of 2005.

18 Q And did you live there up until shortly before moving
19 into Springvale Lane?

20 A Yes.

21 Q In the last ten years have you resided at any other
22 addresses, other than those two?

23 A No.

24 Q Is Clevenger your maiden name?

25 A Yes.

1 A The worst ever in history.

2 Q How long, just in terms of that industry in Knox
3 County, has it come back? I mean you're back in it. Is it back to where it was?

4 A About last year.

5 Q 2016?

6 A Uh-huh.

7 Q Is that yes?

8 A I'm sorry, yes, 2016 because we went from a
9 depression into a recession, and the factor of how many people lost their homes
10 then.

11 Q And we're going to be looking at several things here
12 a long the way. But there appeared to have been a number of credit lines and
13 accounts that you've been dealing with since 2008. Is it fair to say you had a
14 number of accounts in collection, pass due, and late in this 2008 to 2016 time
15 period?

16 A Not necessarily, Mr. Lawhorn, because I paid my
17 bills. And when it was the last straw, the last alternative that I had, that's when I
18 filed bankruptcy.

19 Q Okay. And I'm talking about coming out of your
20 bankruptcy now. So from 2008 to 2016, you were still in an industry that was
21 struggling for people to make ends meet, for at least an eight year period?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And in looking at documents you've produced to me,
24 it does appear in that - let's say that 2011 to 2015 time frame, you had a number
25 of accounts that were either in collection, or pass due, or they were late payments

1 A It was Chase Mortgage was the first lienholder, and I
2 applied for the Home Modification. It lowered my payment less than \$20.00, and
3 as the fact of the government reporting that the mortgage servicers put the
4 homeowners out of their homes. The program did not work, or it was not set up
5 affiliated to accommodate the consumers. Therefore, I lost my home.

6 Q And I'm sorry, who was the first lienholder that you
7 said?

8 A Chase.

9 Q Chase, okay. Was it Chase that did the foreclosure, or
10 was it Home Federal?

11 A It was Chase.

12 Q That's what I thought. Have you had, since 2008, any
13 other foreclosures?

14 A I lost a home on Woodbine that was a rental home,
15 but I cannot recall what date that was.

16 Q That was investment property?

17 A Uh-huh, yes.

18 Q Okay. Was that owned in your name?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Okay. Do you believe that was before of after the
21 2011 foreclosure?

22 A Oh, it was before.

23 Q Do think it was before or after the bankruptcy filing
24 in March of 2008?

25 A It was before the bankruptcy, to the best of my

1 knowledge.

2 Q That's fine. Since the bankruptcy have you had any
3 property repossessed?

4 A My vehicle was repossessed.

5 Q When was that?

6 A I'm not certain on that date. However, I was able to
7 recover and get the vehicle back within 30 days or less.

8 Q Who was the lienholder?

9 A Wells Fargo.

10 Q Okay. Any other repossessions, other than that one?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q Okay.

13 A Well, not to the best of my knowledge. If I go back to
14 2008, when the economy plummeted, I did lose my Trailblazer.

15 Q Who was the lienholder on that?

16 A I do not know at this time.

17 Q Okay. Do you know if that was a local bank?

18 A I cannot say certain at this time, but more than likely,
19 yes, it was.

20 Q Since 2008 have you - are you aware of any tax liens
21 filed with respect to you?

22 A Yes.

23 Q What kind of tax lien?

24 A Tax lien with the IRS.

25 Q Do you - well, let me do this. It might be easier. Let's

1 mark this as the first exhibit. I guess we're withdrawing the late filed exhibit
2 since we're not going to do that.

3 THE REPORTER: So start this as Exhibit-1 then?

4 MR. LAWHORN: Yes. If you guys need to look at
5 that, we can slide it down.

6 THEREUPON, THE FEDERAL TAX LIEN OF
7 3/12/09 WAS FILED AS EXHIBIT-1.

8 Q Ms. Phibbs, I know they're taking a minute to look at
9 that document, and I know it will come back to you. My question is going to be
10 we've marked as Exhibit-1 a document -

11 A Yes.

12 Q - which I understand to be a Notice of Federal Tax
13 Lien filed in the Register of Deeds for Knox County. Is that the tax lien you're
14 referring to when you answered my question a minute ago?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Okay. Are you aware of any other tax liens filed with
17 respect to you?

18 A I am not aware of any.

19 Q Okay. Now, this is dated March 12, 2009, and the
20 amount at that time was \$28,385.57. Have you satisfied that tax lien?

21 A Yes, sir, I have, and it's been removed from my credit
22 report. And I was not at fault, I did not owe them. It was due to Eric Youngquist,
23 my ex-husband.

24 Q Okay. And when was this tax lien satisfied and
25 removed?

1 A It was removed in February of 2017. It was
2 completed with the IRS and accepted December of 2016.

3 Q Okay.

4 A And therefore I owe the IRS nothing. Eric
5 Youngquist still owes them money.

6 Q Okay. But this was on your credit until you were able
7 to get that fixed, it sounds like?

8 A Until I was able to show them that I did not owe the
9 money.

10 Q Okay. And that was, sounds like, in late 2016, early
11 2017?

12 A That is correct.

13 Q Okay.

14 MR. LEE: Do you need a break? It's been about an
15 hour.

16 A Yeah.

17 MR. LAWHORN: Can we go about - let me finish
18 this line of inquiry and I'll be a good breaking point.

19 MR. LEE: All right.

20 Q Are there any judgments - well, let me ask it this way.
21 Since the bankruptcy -

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q - up to the present, are you aware of any judgments
24 entered against you?

25 A Since the bankruptcy?

1 Q Yes, ma'am.

2 A Since March of 2008 any judgments? Yes.

3 Q How many?

4 A One.

5 Q All right.

6 A And that has been taken care of.

7 Q Well, let's start with what it is, and then -

8 A Okay.

9 Q We're going to get to that.

10 A Okay. Regional Finance.

11 Q And what is Regional Finance?

12 A It's a lending institution.

13 Q Okay.

14 A It's a finance company.

15 Q Okay. Was that the originator of a debt, or was that a

16 purchaser of the debt that got -

17 A Originator of the debt.

18 Q What was the debt?

19 A To the best of my ability for car repairs is right now

20 the best of what I can remember.

21 Q Do you remember what the judgment amount was?

22 A Approximately \$2,800, and it may have added fees on

23 top of that, and it may have gone to as high as \$3,000, lower \$3,000.

24 Q I'll just put approximately \$2,800 to \$3,000.

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Was that in Knox County General Sessions?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. And do you recall when that judgment was
4 entered, approximately?

5 A If I'm recalling correctly, 2013.

6 Q And then you said it's off your record now, I think is
7 what you said?

8 A It has been satisfied, yes.

9 Q Okay. And, now, when you say "satisfied," so was it
10 paid?

11 A It was paid.

12 Q Okay. When was it paid?

13 A 2015, I do not recall what month.

14 Q Okay. There was a period, and it appeared to me
15 starting around October 2015, you got real serious about cleaning your credit
16 report up. And from that point up to late February you made a real hard effort to
17 start disputing debts and then taking care of a lot of that. Was this paid in that
18 time period, you think?

19 MR. LEE: I'm going to object to the form of the
20 question.

21 A I started -

22 MR. LEE: I'm not sure that we've clarified -

23 A The question?

24 MR. LEE: Right.

25 MR. LAWHORN: Are you instructing her not to

1 answer?

2 MR. LEE: I don't think I understand it, so I want to
3 make sure she understands it.

4 Q Okay. Do you understand the question? Here's what
5 I'm trying to figure out. You said you believe the judgment was satisfied in 2015.
6 I like to try to give people some time triggers to help narrow down when maybe
7 something happened. So that's the reason I brought up it appeared from my
8 review of all the documents you furnished -

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q - starting in the latter part of 2015 you started making
11 a pretty hard effort to get your credit report dealt with, cleaned up. You started
12 disputing a lot of debt. And, so, my question is do you think maybe, does that
13 give you some point in time in 2015 from which you can relate the satisfaction of
14 this judgment?

15 A I can just say that it was satisfied in 2015, that
16 judgment.

17 Q Okay, that's fine. To your knowledge was a Notice of
18 Satisfaction filed in the General Sessions Court?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Is that something you did yourself, or did you have
21 somebody do for you? Did you have a lawyer assisting you in this process?

22 A No, I could not afford an attorney.

23 Q Okay. Any other judgments that you're aware of since
24 the bankruptcy in 2008?

25 A Not that I'm aware of, no.

1 A - I understand the question.

2 Q And that's fine, you need to make sure you
3 understand the question. Was it your understanding as a result of the bankruptcy
4 discharge, that you didn't owe - your past debt to Home Federal had been erased,
5 you didn't owe it? Was that your understanding?

6 A I don't remember.

7 Q Okay. So my next question is. It sounds like you did
8 continue making payments to Home Federal through sometime in, I think you
9 said, 2010 in your interrogatory answers. Is that correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Okay. Why did you continue making payments after
12 the bankruptcy discharge on the Home Federal loan?

13 A My bankruptcy attorney -

14 Q Okay.

15 A - advised that.

16 Q And I'm not entitled to ask you what your bankruptcy
17 attorney advised you. As you sit here today in 2017, is it now your understanding
18 that the discharge entered in 2008, I guess July of 2008, discharged the prior
19 deficiency you had owed Home Federal up to the filing of the bankruptcy?

20 A Repeat that please. That's a lot.

21 Q As you sit here today -

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q - on March 1, 2017 -

24 A Uh-huh.

25 Q - is it your understanding today that the Discharge

1 entered by the Bankruptcy Court in July of 2008, discharged your obligation to
2 paying Home Federal for the deficiency up to the time of the bankruptcy?

3 MR. SNYDER: I'm going to object in that it calls for
4 a legal conclusion, but she can answer.

5 Q And, ma'am, I'm not asking you for any legal answer.
6 What do you understand? If you don't have any understanding, tell me you don't
7 have any understanding. But as you sit here today what is your understanding of
8 the effect of the bankruptcy discharge on the Home Federal debt? I'm just asking
9 what you understand.

10 A That the debt was not reaffirmed.

11 Q Okay. You state in your interrogatory answers - do
12 you remember signing those questions, the interrogatories?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Okay. You state in response to Interrogatory 11 that
15 you continued making payments on the Home Federal loan into 2010, but that
16 you then had to stop making those payments due to financial difficulties. Do you
17 remember that?

18 A Yes.

19 Q What were those financial difficulties that arose in
20 2010 that made you stop making payments on the loan?

21 A My income.

22 Q Okay, and what specifically happened to your income
23 then?

24 A The housing market.

25 Q Well, and we've talked generally about your income.

1 from Revenue Recovery Corporation?

2 A Yes, May 15th, 2015.

3 Q Was that a letter as well?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Okay. Let me ask you this, just so we can hopefully
6 take care of this. Have you had any telephonic or any other verbal
7 communications with representatives of Revenue Recovery Corporation about
8 the Home Federal debt, or was it just these two letters?

9 A Repeat that.

10 Q Well, let me do this. Let's go ahead and mark this as
11 Exhibit-3. It's May of 2015 letter.

12 A Okay

13 THEREUPON, THE REVENUE RECOVERY
14 CORPORATION LETTER DATED 5/16/15 WAS
15 FILED AS EXHIBIT-3.

16 Q Ms. Phibbs, we've marked as Exhibit-3 a document I
17 understand to be a letter from Revenue Recovery Corporation dated May 16,
18 2015, to Pamela Phibbs. Is this the letter you recall receiving in 2015 you just
19 told me about?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Okay. So we have a letter in 2011, which we marked
22 as Exhibit-2. Then we have another letter you acknowledge receiving in May of
23 2015, which we marked as Exhibit-3. Any other written communications from
24 Revenue Recovery Corporation, other than these two letters, that you recall
25 receiving?

1 A Nothing else.

2 Q Okay. Now, conversations, have you ever had any
3 telephone conversations with anyone from Revenue Recovery Corporation
4 relating to the Home Federal debt?

5 A Them call me or me calling them?

6 Q Either?

7 A I called them when I received this in 2011, and
8 instructed them to contact my attorney under the bankruptcy, and when it was
9 filed and discharged.

10 Q Okay. So in 2011, when you received the letter we've
11 marked as Exhibit-2 here -

12 A Yes.

13 Q - that prompted you to call the phone number listed
14 on the letter?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And then you mentioned to them at that time, "Hey,
17 this was in bankruptcy. It was taken care of," or some words to that effect?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And what were you told?

20 A They would follow up.

21 Q Okay.

22 A Because I specifically gave them my bankruptcy
23 attorney's name and phone number.

24 Q Did you ever - I take it you didn't hear back?

25 A No.

1 to produce that. So if you have that, I suggest you locate it and get it to your
2 Counsel. Okay?

3 A Okay.

4 Q Right now I have no documents produced to me
5 indicating that was sent. So did you ever follow up with your legal Counsel, your
6 bankruptcy legal Counsel?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Okay. Did you ever receive any communication from
9 them? And I'm not asking you to disclose what they said. But did they ever
10 communicate back with you on this subject?

11 A I don't remember.

12 Q All right. This call that you made in 2011 back to
13 Revenue Recovery Corporation, was it in about the same time frame as the letter
14 was dated?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Did you make any notes of that conversation when
17 you had it?

18 A I don't remember.

19 Q When you are speaking with people on the phone
20 about credit issues, do you tend to make notes?

21 A Yes, and I when I made that call in March of 2011, I
22 don't recall if I got - if I made the notes, other than I called, advised and gave
23 them John Newton, my attorney's, information. That validated it.

24 Q Okay. But you wouldn't have made a note, "Spoke
25 with Jane, or spoke with Bill this date, said this?"

1 A I don't remember.

2 Q Okay. You do acknowledge, however, on some
3 documents you've produced, where you're dealing with other accounts, you
4 would make a lot of notes on these documents about people you spoke with,
5 telephone numbers, and when you called them; correct?

6 A Correct, yes.

7 Q Now, in terms of this debt with Home Federal, did
8 you ever hear from anyone else, other than Revenue Recovery Corporation? And
9 let me be specific, Buffaloe & Associates, did you ever receive any -

10 A Yes.

11 Q - letters -

12 A Yes.

13 Q - or communications from Buffaloe & Associates?

14 A Not until I was served by a process server.

15 Q Okay. So the first notice you got at all -

16 A December the 23rd, of 2015.

17 Q And that was the lawsuit?

18 A Correct.

19 Q Okay.

20 A And I picked up the phone and called my attorney,
21 and he wrote a letter on January 29th, 2016 to send out.

22 Q Now, when you say "your attorney," your attorney at
23 that time still -

24 A John Newton.

25 Q - was John Newton?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Okay. And did that letter take care of the issue at that
3 point, as far as the lawsuit goes?

4 A To the best of my knowledge, yes.

5 Q Okay. So, basically, if I understand the chronology,
6 you got served with the lawsuit. You contacted your bankruptcy attorney, John
7 Newton. He writes a letter and shortly after writing the letter the lawsuit is
8 dismissed?

9 A Correct, yes.

10 MR. LAWHORN: I'll show her my responses. I was
11 going to refer to some interrogatory answers. If you
12 have those handy, it might help Ms. Phibbs. If you
13 have both the Interrogatories and the Request for
14 Production.

15 MR. LEE: You don't have a copy for her to look at?

16 Q May I show you this.

17 MR. LEE: He has to give her a copy and us a copy.

18 MR. SNYDER: Right.

19 MR. LEE: He has to, we don't have to provide her
20 that.

21 MR. LAWHORN: Okay. Alan, I'm not marking
22 these, okay. So you can find a copy or you can just
23 listen to me.

24 MR. LEE: Well, if you look in the Order entered by
25 all the judges, it says you're supposed to provide us

1 with a copy. So we object to this for not being
2 provided a copy.

3 Q I'm looking at your responses to Request for
4 Production of Documents. And I'm going to let you look through these, if you'd
5 like. I want to draw your attention specifically to Number 7. So I was just going
6 to ask you, if your response to Number 7 clarifies whether you looked for a copy
7 of any correspondence with Revenue Recovery Corporation?

8 A Say that question again, I'm sorry.

9 Q Remember when I asked you a few minutes ago if
10 you looked for correspondence with Revenue Recovery Corporation?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Okay. Does your response to Number 7 refresh your
13 memory that you probably looked and didn't find any?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. I had forgotten about that. Looking back to
16 exhibits 2 and 3, the two letters, when you received those how confident were
17 you that "I don't owe this. This has got to be a mistake"?

18 A March 2011 that was exactly my thought.

19 Q Okay.

20 A And I just moved, you know, and I proceeded to
21 contact them and told them to contact my bankruptcy attorney.

22 Q Did you have the same level of confidence when you
23 received the letter in 2015?

24 A Yes.

25 Q When did you first learn that Revenue Recovery - and

1 by the way, I've been saying Revenue Recovery Corporation. Can I say RRC?

2 A Please.

3 Q Okay. I think that would help us all.

4 A Yes.

5 Q Okay. When did you first learn that RRC was
6 reporting the Home Federal account to the credit bureaus?

7 A November of 2015 I went to renew, redo my loan on
8 my automobile. At that time I was informed on the Equifax, RRC with the
9 tradeline on my credit bureau report.

10 Q Okay. Do you recall responding to the
11 interrogatories?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay. And as I'm looking it appears that you
14 executed those interrogatories on October 13, 2016.

15 A Yes.

16 Q Okay. And I take it you reviewed these responses
17 prior to signing them and dating them?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And to the best of your knowledge were these
20 accurate?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Did you review the interrogatories before - your
23 interrogatory answers, before this deposition today?

24 A No.

25 Q What did you review before your deposition today?

1 A The lawsuit filed.

2 Q The actual lawsuit papers?

3 A The lawsuit papers filed.

4 Q When you signed these interrogatories back on
5 October 13, 2016, you were satisfied at that time that these responses were full,
6 complete, and accurate. Is that correct?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Did you ever communicate with anyone at Home
9 Federal about the debt? We've talked about RRC. We talked about Buffaloe.

10 A What time period?

11 Q After the foreclosure -

12 A No.

13 Q - to at anytime in the present?

14 A No.

15 Q Okay. At some point you started what I think is
16 referred to as "the dispute process" with the credit bureaus regarding the RRC
17 Home Federal account?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And when did you start that process?

20 A 2015; I cannot give you a specific month, but it was
21 2015.

22 Q All right. In your interrogatory responses, you
23 indicate that - and I'll just read to you what you said. "Plaintiff disputed the
24 account on several occasions with the credit reporting agencies. Most recently
25 was disputes in January and February of 2016. Prior to those Plaintiff filed a

1 Q Okay. Why did you share the facts of all this with
2 him?

3 A He's one of my best friends.

4 Q Okay. Laura Brown?

5 A Best friend.

6 Q Okay. You shared -

7 A Since 6th grade.

8 Q Okay. So you shared basically the whole dispute as
9 raised in the lawsuit with Laura Brown?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Sabrina Dawdy, D-a-w-d-y; what did you discuss
12 with Ms. Dawdy?

13 A The facts.

14 Q Okay. To the same extent as you did with Mr. Bushell
15 and Ms. Brown?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Okay. And what did you convey to Amy Dabney;
18 that's D-a-b-n-e-y?

19 A The facts.

20 Q To the same extent as you did with Mr. Bushell, and
21 Ms. Brown, and Ms. Dawdy?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Teresa Haines; H-a-i-n-e-s; what did you share with
24 Ms. Haines?

25 A The facts.

1 Q Okay. To the same extent as you did with Mr.
2 Bushell, Ms. Brown, Ms. Dawdy, and Ms. Dabney?

3 A Yes.

4 Q David Clevenger, is that some relation to you?

5 A That's my brother.

6 Q Okay. What did you share with Mr. Clevenger?

7 A The facts.

8 Q Okay. The same extent as with these other folks?

9 A Yes.

10 Q You list a Kay Weaver; W-e-a-v-e-r. What did you
11 share with Ms. Weaver?

12 A The facts.

13 Q Okay. And when you say "the facts," I mean was that
14 everything discussed in the lawsuit, you would have shared with Ms. Weaver to
15 the same extent as these others?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Who is Ms. Weaver? Is that family, is that a friend?

18 A My sister.

19 MR. LAWHORN: Let's just do this. Let's go off the
20 record at 2:59 and see if the storm passes.

21 THEREUPON, A SHORT RECESS WAS TAKEN.

22 MR. LAWHORN: All right. We're back on at 3:02.

23 Q Ms. Phibbs, I was asking about Kay Weaver. You
24 said - I'm sorry, you said she was some relation to you.

25 A My sister.

1 some type of service. Would that have been cell service with AT&T?

2 A It was for my iPad.

3 Q Okay. Now, were you denied credit, or did they
4 require, say, a deposit where they said, "We impose certain conditions or
5 restrictions on your service?" Help me understand what's going on here.

6 A I had to pay a \$500.00 deposit.

7 Q Okay. So were you able to establish the service?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And did you, in fact, establish the service?

10 A Yes.

11 Q So you weren't denied credit here. They just imposed
12 a requirement of a \$500.00 deposit to get the service established?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And are you claiming that RRC's reporting of the
15 Home Federal account was the sole cause of you having to pay this \$500.00
16 deposit?

17 A No.

18 Q You would agree there were other factors going on
19 with your credit report at this time that combined together would have caused
20 this?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Do you know what your credit score was in
23 September of 2012?

24 A No.

25 Q Are you one of those folks who periodically will

1 you applied for at this time?

2 A Oh, it had to be something with TJX Rewards. It was
3 through G.E. Capital, but I cannot tell you if it was a credit card or if it was a
4 special promotion, or what.

5 Q Okay. There's some writing at the top; "TD due to
6 credit."

7 A Uh-huh.

8 Q Is that your handwriting?

9 A Yes, it is.

10 Q Is "TD" -

11 A Turned down.

12 Q Okay. So you wrote on this "turned down due to
13 credit"?

14 A Uh-huh.

15 Q Is that a yes?

16 A Yes, I'm sorry.

17 Q That's okay, you're doing very well. So you
18 acknowledge this letter is a denial of credit letter?

19 A Yes.

20 Q All right. And that's why you produced it to me? I
21 just want to make sure I understand that.

22 A Yes.

23 Q And is it your belief, or your claim in this lawsuit,
24 that this denial of credit is attributable solely to RRC's conduct of reporting the
25 Home Federal account?

1 MR. LEE: Well, you're the one that didn't comply
2 with the Court's Order.

3 MR. LAWHORN: I'm telling you -

4 MR. LEE: I'm just stating an objection on the record.

5 MR. LAWHORN: That's fine.

6 MR. LEE: As far as introducing them -

7 MR. LAWHORN: I'm telling you, we can adjourn.

8 I'll go make copies of everything, or we can make
9 copies now, or we can come back, if you'd like.

10 MR. LEE: Okay. Let me go talk to my client. Let's
11 take a break off the record and ask what she wants to
12 do.

13 MR. LAWHORN: Okay.

14 THEREUPON, A SHORT RECESS WAS TAKEN.

15 MR. LAWHORN: What you got?

16 MR. LEE: Well, we got our objection off the record.
17 My client is okay with proceeding. So I guess will go
18 on.

19 MR. LAWHORN: Well, okay, Alan, you're making
20 an objection. What I'm telling you is I will make you
21 copies, if you want copies, and we'll come back. I
22 want the record to reflect I am providing these copies
23 to you all and you can look at them. They're
24 documents you've provided to me. I don't mean
25 anything by it, Alan. I want to get the deposition

1 A Yes.

2 Q All right. Now, this Exhibit-7, this letter from U.S.
3 Cellular, it tells you that the reason for requiring a deposit was "Information
4 contained in your credit file." Do you see that?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Okay. It doesn't say specifically what. That's all it
7 says, right?

8 A Right, yes.

9 MR. LAWHORN: I will be more than happy to go
10 back and make copies of anything we've marked and
11 get it to you, first thing. Let's go ahead and mark this
12 as the next exhibit.

13 THEREUPON, THE CREDIT FIRST NATIONAL
14 ASSOCIATION LETTER DATED 3/27/15 WAS
15 FILED AS EXHIBIT-8

16 Q All right. Ms. Phibbs, we've placed before you a
17 document we've marked as Exhibit-8. And this was a document, I believe you
18 produced to me. Is that your understanding?

19 A Yes.

20 Q It appears to be a letter from Credit First National
21 Association dated March 27, 2015 to you. Then there's handwriting at the top;
22 "TD due to credit report." That's your handwriting indicating, I believe you told
23 me, turned down due to credit report."

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. What were you applying for at this time? It

1 A Okay.

2 Q We can look at it together. You allege that Plaintiff
3 has suffered and continues to suffer actual damages, including without limitation,
4 out of pocket expenses, annoyance, aggravation, inconvenience, humiliation,
5 embarrassment, and emotional distress.

6 A Yes.

7 Q Okay. As far as out of pocket expenses, what are you
8 claiming you incurred out of pocket because of the RRC reporting of the Home
9 Federal credit line?

10 A Sending documents to the credit bureaus by mail.

11 Q So postage, is that what you're referring to?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay.

14 A Let me look at that again.

15 Q Okay. And for the record, you're looking at the
16 Complaint, is that correct?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Okay. Any other out of pocket expenses you're
19 claiming as damages?

20 A Mileage and gas.

21 Q Now, where did you have to drive?

22 A Post Office, U.S. Cellular.

23 Q When you said you had to drive to U.S. Cellular,
24 what was that for?

25 A To discuss the loan that I received.

1 Q In 2014?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. How far would you estimate your drive round
4 trip was to the nearest U.S. Cellular office?

5 A 20, 24 miles round trip.

6 Q Okay. So we have postage and we have some mileage
7 to U.S. Cellular, maybe 24 miles. Anything else?

8 A Not that I recall at this time.

9 Q All right. What are you claiming in terms of
10 annoyance, aggravation and inconvenience?

11 A This continuing to come up on my report.

12 Q All right. Are you claiming that you would not have
13 experienced these credit denials that we just went through but for this single
14 credit line being reported on your credit report?

15 A Repeat that question. I didn't understand it.

16 Q Are you claiming that you would not have
17 experienced any of these problems with you being denied credit, or any problems
18 with you being denied additional credit -

19 A That's two - we're getting into two parts questions
20 now.

21 Q Okay. Well, let me get at this way. Are you claiming
22 that you would not have experienced any annoyance, any aggravation, any
23 inconvenience with respect to your credit report, or applications for credit if RRC
24 had not reported the Home Federal debt on your credit report?

25 A Mr. Lawhorn, I'm sorry, I'm still not understanding

1 your question. I'm sorry.

2 Q As I understand it, you're alleging that you
3 experienced annoyance, aggravation and inconvenience in having to deal with the
4 problems with your credit report due to RRC reporting the Home Federal debt on
5 your credit report.

6 A Correct, yes.

7 Q My question for you is do you believe that you would
8 not have had any of that annoyance, aggravation or inconvenience had that one
9 item not been on your credit report?

10 A Yes.

11 Q You really believe that?

12 A Yes.

13 Q You don't believe any of the other problems listed on
14 your credit report would have caused any of these problems?

15 A No.

16 Q Despite what all those letters told you, you don't
17 believe that?

18 MR. LEE: Objection, question has been asked several
19 times and answered.

20 Q What embarrassment and humiliation are you
21 claiming?

22 A Almost not getting a job at Grayson with the
23 manager, which we had to go sit down and discuss.

24 Q But you got the job, correct, with Grayson?

25 A Yes.

1 Q Okay. Are you claiming any other jobs you didn't get
2 because of your credit report?

3 A Well, I couldn't apply for other jobs due to my credit
4 report.

5 Q Which jobs did you not apply for because of your
6 credit report?

7 A I can't recall right now at this time.

8 Q But you've not made that claim in your lawsuit.

9 A Right.

10 Q So are you going to make that claim?

11 A It prevented me because if an employer looked to find
12 your credit, that was a big thing with RRC -

13 Q Uh-huh.

14 A - reporting \$35,878.00.

15 Q But you can't tell me any jobs you decided not to
16 apply for because of that?

17 A Yes, but I can't recall at this time, Mr. Lawhorn,
18 because they showed that opened in March of 2011 on my credit report, RRC.

19 Q My question is what - did you make a conscious
20 decision not to apply anywhere because of your credit report?

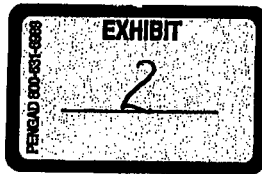
21 A Yes.

22 Q Where?

23 A I can't recall right now at this time exactly where.

24 Q Was it because -

25 A Well, one would - well, a mortgage company.



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